Welcome to the Special Education Administrators’ Webinar

• This meeting will get started **promptly** at 9am.

• If you require sign language interpreting services today, please locate our interpreters in the participant’s list and pin their video to your screen. Our Interpreters today are Mary Schmidt and Ashley Fagan.

• To ensure we don’t get any background noise please make sure you have your microphones muted.
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April 12, 2024
KSDE SETS Special Education Administrators’ Webinar Agenda

Kansas leads the world in the success of each student.
100 DAY CHECKLIST UPDATE

- **Kansas Annual Performance Report (APR)**
  - Final Report available to Directors, Superintendents **April 15**
  - LOD letters will be sent out to Superintendents, Directors and BOE presidents **April 22**

- **Medicaid** submit claims by **April 15**

- **Special Ed Transportation Reimbursement** April (15) Window OPENS 308 form DUE **MAY 10**. Review the Form 308 User Guide and Form 308 Q&A (categorical aid tab)

- **Kansas Grants Management System KGMS**
  - IDEA VI-B (special Education Fiscal Resources tab)
    - Assurances must be approved by local BOE during April or May meeting

- **MIS**
  - MIS monthly tasks refer to the MIS April checklist for December 1 closeout by April 30
  - MIS start reviewing End Of Year report for accuracy.
Reimbursement Deadlines

• April 15th – Vacancy Report Due
• May 1st – Final payment deadline to update data. Pays on ELIGIBLE FTE
  • Errors are a complete loss of funds for professionals and any paras they supervise
• May 10th Transportation deadline (including special education transportation)
• June 1st – Final day to update para inservice.

Deadlines are in Appendix A of the Reimbursement Guide, in the KIAS calendar, and separately here:
https://www.ksde.org/Portals/0/SES/funding/CatAid/CatAid-Deadlines.pdf
Vacancy Report

The report collected in PCA is **different** from the report collected by Teacher Licensure

- **TLA vacancy definition:** any KSDE-licensed position not filled or filled by an individual who isn’t licensed for the assignment (not licensed, expired license, sub license, licensed unqualified).
- **PCA vacancy definition:** Is your LEA looking for someone else to fill the position?

This is the **only** place you can report how many non-KSDE licensed staff and unlicensed staff are needed.
General Reminders

• Check reports now when there is some time to ask questions and get things done.
• Right before the deadline:
  • The system gets overwhelmed.
  • Things are checked quickly, not carefully

• **Email is better than calling!**
  • I try to answer all emails the day they are asked, but it takes more time when more people are asking.

• There may be funding in asking for help
  • Don’t lose funds because you don’t want to “bother” me! This is my job, it’s not a bother!
  • If I said I’d do something or check something, and haven’t gotten back with you, ASK ABOUT IT!
    • I have a terrible memory but take nagging well 😊
Authenticated Applications
Problems logging in or creating/removing accounts:
helpdesk@ksde.org
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DLM Update

- April 12, 2024
Monitoring Test Completion

• Spring test window closes April 26, 2024
  • ELA and math – expectation is to meet the blueprint requirements in both subjects
    • Science (Grades 5, 8, 11) – complete the 9 testlets that the computer sends to the student
      • Encouraged to complete any field tests that are sent to the student
        • Opportunity to submit writing samples – not required, but encouraged
          • Encouraged to complete the teacher surveys
## Data Extract – DLM Instructionally Embedded Monitoring

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**Notes:**
- Fall Window: ELA Tests Taken (50), ELA Blueprint Requirement Met (Not Met, Met, Met, Met, Met)
- Math Tests Taken: 29, 100, 100

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Special Circumstance Codes

• Communicate with your test coordinator if you have a student who needs an SC code entered.

• **Special Circumstance Codes for Kansas** Only enter 1 SC code per subject.

• Test coordinator emails KSDE with the SSID, SC code, and reason.

• SC codes need to be entered for the spring test window before the test window closes on April 26th, no codes can be entered once the window is closed.
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Things to know about Initial Data Collection

Timelines:
Data Collection will close on May 12, 2024

KIAS Web Application:
Check to ensure appropriate access is provided for entry and submission.
Data is collected for students who are 16 years of age.
Things to know about Random Data Verification

Timeline:
Districts will be randomly selected and notified via email of participation on May 15, 2024 and submission deadline is June 3, 2024.

Data to be submitted must include information for each of the Indicator 13 Checklist questions.

In Addition:
Question 4: Previous and Present IEP Measurable Postsecondary

Plan accordingly for team member to be available due to summer!
Contact Information for Questions

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Secondary Transition Resources
www.ksdetasn.org
Process

- Kansas is the only state with a special fund appropriated by the legislature to support students (birth - 21) who are deaf-blind in their educational programs. KSDE administers this fund and provides up to $4,500 per student until the fund is depleted.

- Approval for funding is granted when costs exceed the amount districts are able to provide out of local and state categorical funds.

- Applicants must be certified with the Deaf Blind Project Census through KSSB

Result

- 103 applications received
- 62 applications processed
- 3 pending invoices for an ending balance of less than $100 of the $110,000
- Reimbursement window closes May 15, 2024
- April 1, 2024, application window opened for next year
- KDHE has a KGMS program which is different than the KSDE KGMS program.
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March has been a busy month for Patty Carter and the legislative team. Several KASEA members visited the capitol on March 21st. We appreciate their effort to disseminate information to legislators. Many members also reached out to legislators during Advocacy Week March 18-21st. We appreciate your efforts!

The final Connecting with KASEA session will be April 17th from 12:00-1:00. Brian Dempsey will be joining us to talk about Indicator 4 and Significant Disproportionality.

April is a great time to start thinking about electing/appointing region representatives for the 2024-2025 school year. You can find the current list of region representatives, committee chairs, and officers here. Serving as a region representative is a great way to get involved with KASEA and meet other special education leaders across the state. If you have any questions about region representative duties, please reach out to your region representative or any of the KASEA officers.

OSEP Updates: I was not able to link to the March 2024 OSEP update because OSEP is transitioning to a new newsletter distribution service. If you are already signed up, you likely received the March update in your inbox. To sign up for email updates from OSEP, including the newsletter, click this link.